

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Construct a Thrie Beam Median Barrier and Widen the Inside Shoulders to Route 1 in Monterey

Prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Division 13 of the Public Resources Code)

Project Description: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to construct a thrie beam median barrier and widen inside shoulders on Route 1, between 0.3 kilometers (0.19 miles) south of Route 1/Route 68 junction and the Aguajito Road under-crossing KP 120.6/R124.5 (PM 74.93/R 77.38).

Determination: An Initial Study has been prepared by Caltrans. Based on this study, it has been determined that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

- There would be no effects to agricultural, archaeological, historical or mineral resources. No residences or business would be affected.
- The project would not increase floodplain or seismic hazards and would have no effect on air quality.
- The character and composition of traffic would not be affected. There would be no effect to water quality.
- There would be no effects to neighborhood integrity, social, recreational or educational facilities. No parks would be affected.
- There would be no effects to threatened or endangered species, nor to wetlands or riparian habitat.
- There would be no substantial adverse effect on the scenic vista or substantial damage to scenic resources. There would be no substantial degradation to the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings.

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